GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
A B S T R A C T

PUBLIC SERVANTS - Housing Department – ACB Surprise Check Report - Common disciplinary proceedings initiated against 15 Officials (13 officials of APSHCL & 2 officials of PR&RD Department) on the allegations of misappropriation of Govt. funds in execution of Indiramma Housing Programme in Pattisam(V), Polavaram(M) of West Godavari District – Case entrusted to Commissioner of Inquiries – Inquiring Report received – Inquiry Report Communicated – Explanations received - Examined – Disciplinary proceedings concluded - Imposition of penalties - Orders – Issued.

HOUSING (VC.A1) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 42 Dated: 31-05-2021.

Read the following:

1. From the DG, ACB, Lr.Rc.No.40/DES-EWG/2010, Dated:14.07.2011.
2. G.O.Rt.No.47, Housing (VC) Department, Dated:01.03.2012.
3. G.O.Rt.Nos.48 to 62, Housing (VC) Department, Dated:01.03.2012.
4. G.O.Rt.No.65, Housing (VC) Department, Dated:28.02.2014.
5. G.O.Rt.No.71, Housing (VC) Department, Dated:05.09.2017.
6. Inquiring Authority Report Dated:26.12.2017.
7. Govt. Letter No.2749/VC/A1/2011-16, Dated: 19.03.2018.
8. Govt. Letter No.2749/VC/A1/2011-17, Dated: 19.03.2018.
9. Govt. Letter No.2749/VC/A1/2011-18, Dated: 19.03.2018.
10. From the MD, APSHCL Letter No.2225/V2/ACB/WG/2012, Dated:27.09.2019.

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O R D E R :-

Whereas, in the reference 1st read above, the Director General, ACB has submitted his Report to the Government on the Surprise Checks conducted into the allegations of corruption and misappropriation of Government funds to a tune of Rs.22,50,731/- in the execution of Indiramma Housing Scheme at Pattisam Village of Polavaram Mandal in West Godavari District at Offices of (i) Assistant Engineer, Polavaram; (ii) Deputy Executive Engineer, K.R.Puram, (iii) Executive Engineer, Jangareddygudem against 15 Officials [thirteen APSHCL Officials & two Panchayat Raj & Rural Development Department Officials]. In the report, he has recommended to initiate Departmental Action against all the (15) Officials besides recovery of Rs.22,50,731/- misappropriated Government funds.

2) And whereas, after a detailed examination of the matter, Government in the G.O.2nd read above have initiated Common Disciplinary Proceedings against all the (15) Ofcials of Andhra Pradesh State Housing Corporation Limited & Panchayat Raj & Rural Development Department U/r 24 of A.P.C.S. (CC&A) Rules, 1991. Accordingly, in the G.Os.3rd read above, Government have issued Articles of Charge against the said erring Ofcials, calling for their Written Statements of Defence, if any, on the charges framed against them. After examining the WSDs submitted by the Charged Officers, Govt. have entrusted the case to Commissioner of Inquiries in the G.O.5th read above by appointing an Inquiring Authority to conduct inquiry into the Charges framed against all the Charged Officers and to submit report to Government. The Inquiry Officer has submitted his Inquiry Report in the reference 6th read above stating that, out of the (15) Charged Officers involved in the case, the Charges framed against the (8) C.Os were held 'NOT PROVED'; and the Charges were held 'PROVED / PARTLY PROVED' in respect of remaining (7) C.Os.

3) And whereas, after a detailed examination of the matter, Government in the reference 9th read above, have issued orders dropping further action against the (8) Charged Officers on whom the charges were held NOT PROVED in the inquiry. In the reference 8th read above, Govt. while communicating the Inquiry Report, have directed the (7) Charged Officers on whom the charges were held PROVED/PARTLY PROVED in the inquiry, to submit their written explanations, if any, on the fndings of the Inquiry Officer as per rules. In the reference 7th read above, Govt. have requested the Managing Director, APSHCL to indicate the misappropriated amounts, proportionately, to be recovered from the said (7) Charged Officers as per the fndings of the Inquiry Officer and keeping in view their duties / responsibilities as per the job chart.

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4) And whereas, the (7) charged Ofcers on whom the Charges were held proved / partly proved in the inquiry have submitted their written explanations denying the fndings of the Inquiry Officer and requested to drop further action against them. In the reference 10th read above, the MD, APSHCL has furnished the requisite details of 'proportionate recovery amounts' from the (7) Charged Officers concerned, keeping in view their duties/ responsibilities as per job chart, in terms of G.O.Ms.No.116, Housing (RH.I) Department, dated 18.08.1999.

5) Government, after careful examination of the entire matter with reference to the material on record, hereby decide and order to impose the following penalties under A.P.C.S. (CC&A) Rules, 1991 r/w A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980 against the (7) Charged Officers as mentioned below on whom the Charges were held proved / partly proved in the inquiry with regard to allegations of misappropriation of Government funds in execution of Indiramma Housing Programme in Pattisam Village of Polavaram Mandal in West Godavari District :-

Sl. No.	Name of the Charged Officer	Penalty imposed
1.	Sri G.Rama Krishna, A.E., APSHCL (C.O-2)	**Withholding of (1) increment without cumulative effect besides recovery of Rs.15,410/-.**
2.	Sri J.V.P.S.S.Rama Rao, A.E., APSHCL (C.O-3) **(now retired)**	**Recovery of Rs.16,250/-.**
3.	Sri A.Vijaya Babu, A.E., APSHCL (C.O-4) **(now retired)**	**Recovery of Rs.18,350/-.**
4.	Sri K.Phaneendra Babu, TWI, APSHCL (C.O-7)	**Penalty of "Withholding of (1) increment with cumulative effect besides recovery of Rs.83,350/-.**
5.	Sri Korada Ravi Kumar, E.E., APSHCL (C.O-9)	**Since the individual is not having sufficient period to inflict the penalty, withhold an amount equivalent to the penalty proposed i.e., 'withholding of (1) increment without cumulative effect' from the terminal benefits; besides recovery of Rs.25,004/-.**
6.	Sri G.V.Bhaskara Rao, E.O, (PR & RD) (C.O-14) **(now retired)**	**Withholding of 5% pension for a period of (2) years besides recovery of Rs.2,865/-.**
7.	Smt.K.Indira Devi, MPDO, (PR& RD Dept.,) (C.O-15) **(now retired)**	**Withholding of 5% pension for a period of (2) years besides recovery of Rs.5,471/-**

6) The Managing Director, Andhra Pradesh State Housing Corporation Ltd., and Panchayat Raj & Rural Development Department shall take further necessary action in the matter, accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

AJAY JAIN
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETAY TO GOVERNMENT

To
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The Managing Director, Andhra Pradesh State Housing Corporation Ltd.,
Autonagar, Vijayawada.
Copy to :-
The Secretary to VC, AP Vigilance Commission.
The PS to Minister (Housing)
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SECTION OFFICER